

Ald. Green seconded, that the matter be referred to No. 1 Committee to report funds. Lost.

Ald. Scarrow raised the point that it involved an expenditure of money, and should go before No. 1 Committee.

The Mayor held that the point was well taken, and that the matter should go to No. 1.

Clause 2 read. Ald. Stringer moved, and Ald. Hodgins seconded, that the clause be adopted.

In amendment Ald. Watson moved, and Ald. O'Meara seconded, that the clause be struck out.

The amendment of Ald. Watson was lost, and the motion to adopt the clause was carried.

Clause 3 read, and, on motion, was referred to No. 1 Committee. Clause 4 & 5 read and adopted.

REPORT OF NUMBER TWO COMMITTEE.

By Ald. Taylor, chairman: 1. That the petition of the Horticultural Society of London to erect a "roller coaster" in the Exhibition Grounds be granted; 2, that the petition of A. McCormick et al. for flag walk on east Richmond, between Dundas and York, the bylaw has been prepared; 3, and the petition of Moses Masuret et al. for flag walk on north Dundas, between Talbot and Ridout streets, has been advertised. 4, the contract for construction of sewer on South street having been erroneously awarded to Benj. Johnson, your Committee recommend that said action be rescinded, he having failed to comply with the conditions required by specification; 5, that the tender of T. J. Heard for laying flag sidewalk on east side of Richmond street, between Dundas and York streets at 40 cents per square foot and 47 cents per lineal foot for curbing, being the lowest tender, be accepted; 6, that the petition of O. McClary to lay tile drain on St. James street on same conditions as Bishop Baldwin and I. Danks be granted; 7, that tenders for painting Wellington and York street iron bridges be called for.

Taken up clause by clause, 1st, 2nd and 3rd adopted—with an amendment that the petition of Moses Masuret et al. be granted, and that the necessary bylaw be prepared.

Clause 4 read and moved for adoption. Ald. Scarrow moved that the clause be amended by adding the words, "and that fresh tenders be called for the work." Ald. Green seconded. Carried.

Clause 5 adopted. 6 was referred back to committee. Clause 7 adopted.

SALE OF EXHIBITION GROUNDS.

The bylaw for the sale of that part of the

Exhibition Grounds west of Wellington street was introduced for the third reading, which Ald. Scarrow moved, and Ald. Christie seconded; also, that plan "A 3" of lots be inserted.

The bylaw was then read the third time and passed.

Ald. Scarrow moved, and Ald. Hodgins seconded, that No. 1 Committee be empowered to advertise and sell the lots. Carried.

Ald. Scarrow stated that he had received tenders to sell the grounds from Jones & Wall, McElheran & McCann, Neil Cooper, P. C. Barnard and W. Y. Brunt n. The terms of McElheran & McCann were the lowest, at one-fiftieth of 1 per cent. On motion their tender was accepted.

BYLAWS.

To provide for constructing a flagstone walk on north side Dundas street, between Talbot and Ridout. Passed.

To provide for the construction of a flagstone sidewalk on south side Dundas street, between Ridout and Talbot. Passed.

To provide for the construction of a flagstone sidewalk north side King street to a point 120 feet west of Richmond. Passed.

To provide for the construction of a tile drain on Maitland street, between Oxford and St. James. Passed.

To provide for the construction of a sewer on Grey street, between Wellington and Clarence, and on Clarence between Grey and north side Horton. Passed.

To provide for the construction of a sewer on South street, between Wellington and the east side Colborne. Passed.

To provide for the construction of a flagstone sidewalk on the east side of Richmond street, between Dundas and York street. Passed.

To provide for the levying of certain sewer rents. Passed.

THE GOVERNOR INVITED.

Ald. Green moved and Ald. Scarrow seconded, that the City Clerk be instructed to write to his excellency the Governor-General to do the city the honor of becoming its guest at the time of the Provincial Exhibition in September next. Carried.

Ald. Green proposed a special reception committee, consisting of Aids. Kingston, Browne, Hodgins and the mover, with several citizens.

Ald. Hodgins moved, Ald. Hook seconded, and it was carried that the Mayor and the Chairmen of the three standing committees be a committee to receive and entertain the Governor General.

Adjourned for two weeks.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, August 6th, 1885

A special meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held yesterday morning in the City Hall at 11 o'clock. Present: Mayor Becher, in the chair; Ald. Taylor, Watson, Green, Kingston, Hook, Stringer, Scarrow, Hodgins, Christie, and A. S. Abbot, clerk.

SEWER RENT BYLAW.

The Mayor said the object of calling the meeting was to consider the bylaw respecting sewer rents, in which an error had been observed at last meeting. It was necessary to have it passed, in order that the asset be included for the city in connection with amalgamation. It would make a difference of \$7,000. He said the Solicitor advised calling this meeting. He then read the corrected bylaw. Upon the final reading being moved, Ald. Taylor took exception that 8 cents per foot rental, specified in the bylaw, was too high and was unfair to the ratepayers.

Ald. Stringer proposed striking out the words "25 years," and inserting "until such time as the sewers have been paid for."

The Mayor said the Engineer had carefully calculated that the cost would be met at the rate and in the time specified.

Ald. Taylor moved that seven (7) cents per foot be charged. No seconder, and the bylaw was read a third time and finally passed.

MILITARY CAMP.

The Mayor read a letter from Col. Aylmer, stating that a volunteer camp for No. 1 district would probably be held about Sept. 15. He asked what provision in the way of free water, latrines, etc., the Council would provide. There were expected about 2,000 officers and men and 280 horses.

On motion of Ald. Stringer, seconded by Ald. Green, the matter was referred to No. 2 Committee with power.

GENEROUS TOWARDS LONDON EAST.

The Mayor said the City Solicitor asked an expression of the Council in reference to a point that had arisen at the amalgamation arbitration in consequence of a difference in the school rates levied. The Solicitor felt like pressing upon the arbitrators the point that London East was thus deriving

an additional benefit from amalgamation, and the city should not lose in that respect.

It was stated that the city school rate was 3 mills on the dollar, and the London East school rate 5 mills on the dollar this year.

Ald. Kingston moved, and Ald. Scarrow seconded, that the Solicitor be instructed not urge the difference in school assessment in the municipalities of London East and the city of London as an additional advantage accruing to the former in connection with amalgamation. Carried.

THE CIVIC HOLIDAY.

The Mayor read a petition signed by B. Cronyn and a large number of citizens, chiefly business men, asking that Aug. 24 be proclaimed a holiday instead of Aug. 10, the date in favor of which the Council voted at last meeting.

Superintendent Dawson, of the G. T. R., stated that in consequence of half a dozen other large places having previously arranged for excursion trains on their civic holiday (the 10th), he could not possibly accommodate the people of London with trains to various points. Any day but the 10th would suit the railway. Had he known before that the Foresters were pressing to get the civic holiday on the 10th they would not have secured their excursion for that date. On any other day he could give plenty of trains, and a fare and a third, and if the 24th were selected tickets good from Saturday till Monday.

Ald. Kingston moved, and Ald. Green seconded, that the resolution passed at last meeting be rescinded, that all petitions be referred to the Mayor and that he be requested to proclaim the day upon which amalgamation is consummated the civic holiday.

Ald. Scarrow moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Christie, that the petition of B. Cronyn and others be filed. Carried, after a long discussion, on a vote of five to four.

Adjourned. The proceedings of the Council were eagerly watched by a large gathering of baseball men and Ancient Foresters.